CALIFORNIA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION NOTICE OF FINDINGS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 2074.2 of the Fish and Game Code, the California Fish and Game Commission, at its June 7, 2007, meeting in Truckee, accepted for consideration the petition submitted by The Bay Institute, Center for Biological Diversity, and Natural Resources Defense Council to uplist the delta smelt (*Hypomesus transpacificus*) from threatened to endangered species status. Pursuant to subdivision (a)(2) of Section 2074.2 of the Fish and Game Code, the aforementioned species is hereby declared a candidate species for uplisting as defined by Section 2068 of the Fish and Game Code.

Within one year of the date of publication of this notice of findings, the Department of Fish and Game shall submit a written report, pursuant to Section 2074.6 of the Fish and Game Code, indicating whether the petitioned action is warranted. Copies of the petition, as well as minutes of the June 7, 2007, Commission meeting, are on file and available for public review from John Carlson, Jr., Executive Director, Fish and Game Commission, 1416 Ninth Street, Box 944209, Sacramento, California 94244-2090, phone (916) 653-4899. Written comments or data related to the petitioned action should be directed to the Commission at the aforementioned address.

Fish and Game Commission

June 12, 2007

John Carlson, Jr. Executive Director